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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL		<i>Application Number</i>	09/485,245
Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231		<i>Filing Date</i>	March 27, 2000
		<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Alison Hopkins
		<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1655
		<i>Examiner Name</i>	C. Wilder
		<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	28911/36128/US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

a. Previously submitted

i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____ October 1, 2002
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply

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ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

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iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____

i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) * An extension for two months has already been secured and the fee paid therefore of \$400.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested

iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ 740.00 enclosed (filing fee)

Check in the amount of \$ *520.00 enclosed (3-month extension of time)

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Jeffrey S. Sharp	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	31,879
Signature		Date	October 31, 2002

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**1,260.00**

Complete if Known

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit Card Money Order Other None
 Deposit Account

Deposit Account Number **13-2855**

Deposit Account Name **MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments
 Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application
 Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)		0.00	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	-** =	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	-** =			
Multiple Dependent				

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)		0.00

** or number previously paid, if greater. For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

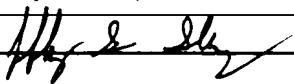
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	520.00**
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	740.00
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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**Other fee (specify)					

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 1,260.00)

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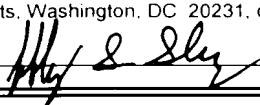
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Alison Hopkins

Application No.: 09/485,245

Group Art Unit: 1655

Filed: March 27, 2000

Examiner: C. Wilder

For: Compositions Comprising Random Mixtures of
Oligonucleotides

PAPER ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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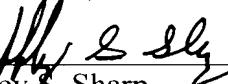
Dear Sir:

Consideration of the Amendment filed October 1, 2002 is respectfully requested. In order to complete the record in the file, submitted herewith is a signed version of the Declaration of Alison Hopkins filed with the October 1, 2002 response.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments of form on substance, she is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated: October 31, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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